

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

January 13, 2004

In re application of

Alberto DiBella

Application No.

10/719,825

Filed

11/21/2003

For

VORAXIAL FILTRATION SYSTEM WITH SELF-

CLEANING AUXILIARY FILTRATION APPARATUS

Our File No.

5041.001

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL DUE TO APPLICANT'S AGE (37 C.F.R. §1.102(c) and M.P.E.P. §708.02(IV))

Mail Stop Petitions Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special pursuant to M.P.E.P.

708.02(IV) due to the fact that the Applicant has obtained the age of seventy three (73) years.

See, M.P.E.P. §708.02.

Accompanying Material

Accompanying this petition is:

1. Declaration by Applicant of Facts in Support of Petition to Make Special including copy of Florida Driver's license attached thereto.

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2. Fee

No fee is required for this petition. M.P.E.P. 708.02.

3. Prior Art References.

The relevant prior art has been provided with the Application in an Information

Disclosure Statement filed with the application.

REMARKS

Should the Examiner have any questions or require any further information please advise.

Respectfully submitted,

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